

# Journeys of Paul

10-Night Cruise

10/12/2025 - 10/22/2025

Join Bountiful Travel for the ultimate Journeys of Paul cruise. Enjoy the ancient of Pompeii and the beauty of the Amalfi Coast. Stroll the streets of Ephesus and truly walk where Paul would have walked. Explore the highlights of Istanbul and shop at the Grand Bazaar. Wander the narrow cobblestone streets of the breathtaking villages of Oia and Fira in Santorini. Visit the ancient city of Corinth and the Athenian Acropolis. Savor onboard evening shows, endless gourmet delights, and private lectures with our special trip host. Join Bountiful Travel and our adventurous LDS group as we create memories to last a lifetime! The New Testament will come to life as you journey through the Mediterranean.

Join us for a 2-night pre-cruise tour in Rome!

Day 1 - October 9, 2025: Depart the U.S. on your flight to Rome (FCO).

Day 2 - October 10, 2025: Arrive in Rome and take the hotel shuttle to the hotel. Based on which endowment session is reserved, we are picked up from our hotel and taken to the Rome, Italy temple. Everyone in the group explores the Visitors' Center and temple grounds. If you wish to participate in an endowment session or other ordinances, you will need to make your own reservations with the temple. We are offering transportation for the 3:00pm & 5:30pm sessions. Please let us know what time you have reserved.

Day 3 - October 11, 2025: Our "Highlights of Rome" tour takes us to the Vatican City Museum, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. We see many other important sites as we stroll along including the famous Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon. An authentic Italian dinner is included.

Day 4 - October 12, 2025: Today we load our luggage on the bus and head to the Colosseum and the Catacombs. The Roman Colosseum is located in the heart of Rome. It is the largest ancient amphitheater ever built and is still the largest standing. The Catacombs of Rome are underground burial places sprinkled all around the city. Today we only enter one of the many. Following our visit we board our bus for transport to our cruise ship.

October 22, 2025 - Transfer from ship to Rome airport.

## Headliners:



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## Itinerary:

### **Day 1: Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy**

October 12, 2025 (Sunday)

2-Night Pre-Cruise Tour in Rome.

### **Day 2: Naples, Italy**

October 13, 2025 (Monday)

We head to the ancient city of Pompeii. We spend some time strolling through the ancient ruins as our guide shares details about the lives' of the residents before the great eruption. We have an opportunity to view the somber and incredible plaster casts of some of the victims of the Mt. Vesuvius eruption. Mt. Vesuvius can be seen from Pompeii. Our tour continues with a scenic drive through the beautiful countryside along a coastal road on the Amalfi Coast. After about an hour we arrive at the wonderful town of Sorrento. Here you enjoy some free time to shop, eat or just enjoy the picturesque views of Sorrento. We then return to the ship. Price TBD

### **Day 3: At Sea**

October 14, 2025 (Tuesday)

Lectures at Sea

### **Day 5: Santorini, Greece**

October 15, 2025 (Wednesday)

We are picked up from the old port of Fira where we take a water taxi to Athinios port and our bus. We enjoy a guided walk through the quiet, picturesque village of Magalochori. Following our visit we drive

to Profitis Ilias. the highest point on the island, for a scenic photo stop. Our next stop takes us to the Monolithos Black Beach (no swimming) where we have a short time to enjoy the water and beach. We then journey to Oia, the northern most village where we see the classic blue domed buildings, the ruins of a Venetian castle and admire the breathtaking view over the caldera. We have time on our own to explore or eat. We take in any sights we might have missed as we enjoy the journey back to the port.  
Price TBD

## **Day 6: Athens (Piraeus), Greece**

October 16, 2025 (Thursday)

We start our exciting day with a one-hour scenic bus ride to visit ancient Corinth where Paul arrived in 51 AD. We take a look at the Corinth Canal and enjoy lunch featuring authentic Greek cuisine. We then head back to Athens where we visit Acropolis Hill including the Parthenon, Erechtheion, Temple of Athena Nike and more. We also see Mars Hill where Paul once preached. We drive by other interesting sites as we make our way back to our ship. Price TBD Lunch is included.

## **Day 7: Ephesus (Kusadasi), Turkey**

October 17, 2025 (Friday)

Our tour takes us to one of the most impressive archaeological sites in the world, Ephesus. We tour the terrace houses that are part of the Ephesus site. We see the Odeon, the marble street where Paul held daily discussions, the Library of Celcus, the Temple of Hadrian and the great theater. We spend several hours strolling through this site. Following this we board the bus for a quick photo stop at the Artemision or Temple of Artemis. We return to the port at Kusadasi and you have the option of remaining on land for shopping or boarding the ship and relaxing. Price: TBD

## **Day 8: Istanbul, Turkey**

October 18, 2025 (Saturday)

We have a day and a half to spend in Istanbul. We visit the famous Grand Bazaar. Time is allowed for shopping and enjoying the experience.

We are not rushed as our ship stays docked overnight in Istanbul.

Price: Both days in Istanbul are part of this tour.

## **Day 9: Istanbul, Turkey**

October 19, 2025 (Sunday)

Our day begins with a visit to the Hippodrome, once a huge stadium seating over 100,000 chariot race spectators. We walk from there to the famous Blue Mosque built between 1609 -1616. We visit the

domed Basilica of St. Sophia, one of the oldest standing churches in the world. Our next destination is the Topkapi Palace which served as the primary residence of the Ottoman Sultans for about 400 years. It is home to many holy relics. We examine the Basilica Cistern, the largest of the cisterns running underneath Istanbul. It is truly an experience not to be missed. Price: TBD

## **Day 10: Cruising**

October 20, 2025 (Monday)

Lectures at Sea

## **Day 11: Cruising**

October 21, 2025 (Tuesday)

Lectures at Sea

## **Day 12: Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy**

October 22, 2025 (Wednesday)

Make your own way to the airport for your flight home. If you booked the Rome pre-cruise tour through Bountiful Travel you will travel with us to the airport.

## **Information:**

Ship Information: Royal Caribbean Odyssey of the Seas

Welcome aboard Royal Caribbean's Odyssey of the Seas. You will love the many different dining and entertainment opportunities available on this ship.

It's time to see how just far adventure can take you. Introducing the newest Royal Caribbean game changer, and the first Quantum Ultra Class cruise ship to sail in the U.S and Europe – Odyssey of the Sea. Cue the thrills with unforgettable experiences onboard the cruise ship, dig in to delicious dining from around the world, or soak up the sun at a newly designed resort-style pool deck that brings the island vibes poolside.

## **Pricing:**

All Rates are per person based on double occupancy. Call for rates on 3rd and 4th persons in same cabin.

CABIN TYPE CRUISE RATES

Inside \$1672.00 per person

Window Call for pricing

Obstructed Balcony \$1909.00 per person

Balcony \$2185.00 per person

Taxes & Govt. Fees \$264.04

Terms and Conditions: Advertised rates INCLUDE port charges but DO NOT INCLUDE shore excursions, airfare, or gratuities. We will be happy to book your air if you would like—air is available at all major gateways. A \$450 deposit, per person, is required to confirm your reservations. Final Payment is due July 5, 2025. Within three months of the cruise when final payment has been made, cruises and tours are non-refundable. Space can be recalled as early as six months before the sail date so BOOK EARLY!

Check Your Invoice Names: Please check to see that your names are spelled correctly. Your first and last names must appear as they appear on your passport for International travel and Driver's License for domestic tours.

PASSPORTS ARE REQUIRED and should be valid 6 months after the end of the tour.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to the nature of this tour you must be able to climb stairs and walk unassisted at a moderate pace. You will be walking 4-7 miles per day.

Please note that minor changes to the itinerary may occur due to local conditions and to better accommodate our group.